WASHINGTON - CIA - OP - 499

FORM TO BE ATTACHED TO FILES SUBMITTED TO ARCHIVES

(For instructions, see reverse)

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Thea	ter (where applicable): Prepared by:
	ch (where applicable): Approved by:
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1.	Category of file attached (check only one): Administrative X Operational Radio & Cable Equipment Personalities Research Financial Personnel Maps Intelligence Project Photographs & Motion Pictures Other (specify)
2.	What is the arrangement of the file? Headings of files as shown on Shelf List are self-explanatory
	Is file indexed? Yes No Index applies to this file only To a series of files If index applies to a series, identify series:
	What disposition has been made of index? (transmit with file if possible);
3.	Dates covered: 1976-1956
	Country involved (limit to one where possible):
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5.	Quantity: 2 Archives Boxes (Approx .8 Cu Pt) 27 Audima/ Description of contents of file (if necessary, complete on extra sheet and attach):
	(This is the) complete file of the Special Study Group (Doubittle Committee) 1954-1956, which covered the whole of CIA.
	Contains Top Secret
7.	Appraisal of file: Records have permanent value. Historical Research or Do they include routine or valueless papers? Yes No If yes, specify which portions of file have value:
	Records have transitory or temporary value only. Records are unessential.
8.	Are records duplicated elsewhere in organization? Yes No If yes, specify where:
9.	Institutional copies held by offices involves; this is the only complete file known of in Are records supplemented elsewhere in organization? Yes No DD/P. If yes, specify where:
10.	Classification of documents must be reviewed and, where possible, reduced in the light of present conditions. Check to indicate that this has been done: X Fill in classification of form to conform with highest classification of contents of file.
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The orderly retirement of inactive records of OSS Washington and overseas offices, and the establishment of permanent archives of material suitable for preservation, can be accomplished only with the cooperation of those who have been associated with the records and are familiar with their contents. The form on the reverse is designed to provide a simple means of describing each batch of related material. Filled out and attached in duplicate, it must accompany each such batch of related material which is submitted to archives. It should be executed by a person familiar with the material and approved by an officer of the organization who has been associated with the activity of which the file is a record.

To each batch of related material the transmitting office will assign a file category (see Item I on the reverse and below) in which the material will be premanently maintained. Material assigned to a file category must be of the same kind, relating to the same activity, and filed as a unit, regardless of the space it may occupy. Such a collection of material will constitute one file. It is understood that each file will be a complete record only insofar as possible. Moreover, no attempt should be made to destroy the continuity of files which in themselves form a logical entity. If such files appear to fall into more than one file category, they should be maintained as a whole and assigned to the most generally applicable category, with a full description of their contents under Item 6 of the form.

Detailed instructions follow:

Item 1. Definitions of file categories:

Administrative File. Material pertaining to the management of the office, such as internal policy and procedure, orders and instructions, organization charts.

Equipment File. Material relating to equipment of all types.

Financial File. Budgets, ledgers, payrolls, expense accounts, etc.

Intelligence File. Intelligence reports from agents in the field and disseminations of intelligence reports.

Operational File. Records of work done by OSS in the course of performing its specific functions, such as formal progress reports or other field reports, or documents concerning activities which cannot be classified as specific projects (see Project File below).

Personalities File. Material on individuals who are of interest to the organization either as friendly contacts or because of suspicious or subversive activities.

Personnel File. Interviews, personal history statements, orders, or any other material pertaining exclusively to prospective or incumbent employees.

Project File. Material dealing exclusively with specific missions, operations, projects or teams.

Radio and Cable File. Exchanges of messages which in themselves constitute a logical whole. Research File. Material, other than intelligence reports, giving economic, geographic, statistical or other background information, including publications such as newspapers, time tables, telephone books, etc.

- Item 2. Describe by what system the file is organized, such as alphabetic, alphabetic location, alphabetic subject, numeric subject, straight numeric, chronological, decimal, etc.
- Item 3. Give by month and year period of time covered by file.
- Item 4. State foreign country with which file is concerned (not necessarily country of origin of file).
- Item 5. Estimate space occupied by file in terms of file drawers or linear feet or, with small files, state number of pages.
- Item 6. The description of the file by the transmitting office will be the basis for all future recording, cataloguing and indexing of the file. It is therefore the responsibility of the transmitting office to describe the contents in terms which are clear and concise and at the same time sufficiently full to cover all aspects of the material. The word "miscellaneous" should be avoided.
- Item 7. Appraisal of the file should be made in the light of whether it (1) has permanent historical or other value and so would ultimately be acceptable to National Archives, or (2) is of temporary value as evidence of OSS activities, or (3) is suitable for disposal.
- Items 8 & 9. Where duplicates of or supplements to the file are known or believed to exist, information on their location should be given.